

# Bodmin & Wadebridge Neighbourhood Policing Team Newsletter

October 2024

## **Bodmin Neighbourhood Team secured a Partial Closure Order at Bodmin Magistrates.**

This Order was obtained to safeguard the vulnerable tenant from exploitation.

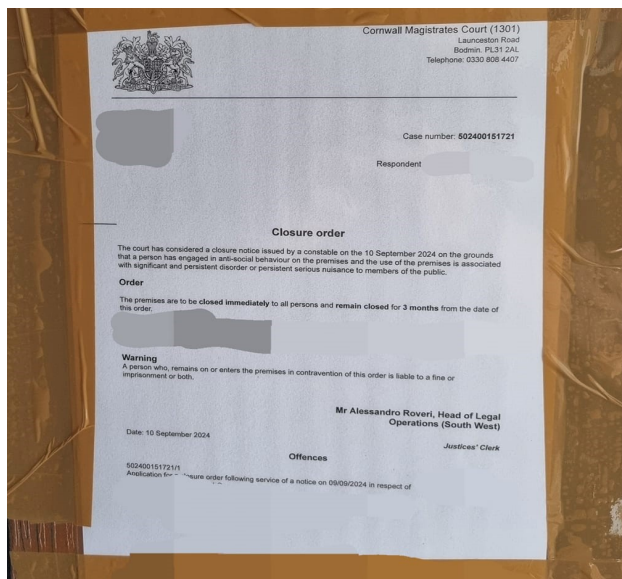
This Order will remain in effect for three months, and states that no one other than the named tenant, police officers or health professionals, can enter or remain at the address.

The court heard that the resident had been a victim of cuckooing - where people take over a vulnerable person's home for their own personal gain.

These orders are only made possible through the support of local residents and partner agencies raising their concern.

If you have any concerns or information, please let the team know so we can continue to target these individuals.

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## **Knock Knock! Sorry about the door...**

**Bodmin Neighbourhood Team with support from our Force Support Group executed a Section 23 Misuse of Drugs Act Warrant.**



The Warrant was positive with two people arrested! As a team we are keen to keep up the pressure on drug dealers in our community! If you have any information please email the Neighbourhood Team.

## **Bodmin Neighbourhood and our Protect & Disrupt Team were mobile in Bodmin.**

Working in plain clothes the team deploy to areas to disrupt criminal activity like ASB and drugs.

While in the KINSMAN ESTATE the team located a male with a quantity of cash along with Class A and B drugs. He was arrested and taken to Newquay Custody.

From previous posts the team are using a wide variety of tactics to disrupt Drug Supply in Bodmin.

This includes Warrants, Closure Orders and plain clothed operations.

Hopefully with much more to come!



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**A busy morning for the neighbourhood team - PC's WILLIAMS and CURRIE were in search of a wanted male but came across a vehicle whose front seat passenger had an unrestrained 3yr old child on her lap.** This is very dangerous and, if the vehicle had been involved in a collision or had to stop suddenly, the child would almost certainly have been seriously injured or potentially killed. Seat belts and child seats (where appropriate) must always be used - they are there for your safety. There was a child seat in the car - the adults had decided not to use it and consequently the driver has been reported to court.



**16-year-old Arrested drink driving. Just after midnight on Saturday our Road Traffic team noticed a moped driving erratically towards MIDWAY ROAD, BODMIN from the town centre.**

The 16-year-old driver then failed a roadside breath test blowing 66ugs (the legal limit being 35ugs)! He was arrested, charged, and will shortly be attending court.

If you suspect someone of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, please dial 999 immediately with the vehicle information and direction of travel.

For non-urgent matters, or to pass information about someone who regularly drives under the influence of drugs or alcohol, please go to [www.dc.police.uk](http://www.dc.police.uk) or call 101.



**Thank you to the friendly residents of St Tudy for stopping and talking to me while I was walking around the village.**

I was pleased to see that the new hub in the playing fields in progressing well and is on target to be completed by January.

I will continue to drop in from time to time and take a walk around. Please stop and talk to me!



**The police will never ask you to withdraw money as part of a covert investigation.**

#CourierFraud **ActionFraud**  
National Fraud & Cyber Crime Reporting Centre  
[www.actionfraud.police.uk](http://www.actionfraud.police.uk)

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**Wadebridge** Your local policing team

## Community Engagement Surgery

At

## Concern Wadebridge

The Betjeman Centre, Southern Way,  
Wadebridge  
on

**4th Wednesday of Every Month (10am - 12pm)**

This is your chance to come and have your say about any concerns, advice you need or information that you would like or, just come along to meet and say hello to your local neighbourhood Police Team.



**Bodmin** Your local policing team

## Rural Community Engagement Surgery

At

## Blisland Community Shop

on

**4th Wednesday of Every Month (10am - 12pm)**

This is your chance to come and have your say about any concerns, advice you need or information that you would like or, just come along to meet and say hello to your local neighbourhood Police Community Support Officer (PCSO)

**Tom Cornwell**



### Get Safe Online has joined up with Neighbourhood Alert to offer a one-off 'Essential Online Safety Tips' webinar for Neighbourhood Alert users.

Get Safe Online has been delivering online safety awareness across a number of countries around the world, working with local governmental bodies and partners to ensure individuals, communities and small businesses are safer online. Today we operate in 27 countries around the world and through our Get Safe Online Ambassador programme regularly deliver online safety training to networks and communities around the world.

So this October, thanks to Neighbourhood Alert, we are bringing some **free** training to your community.

Taking place on **Thursday 3rd October at 1pm** you are invited to register here: [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

Our Get Safe Online expert, Liz Stanton, MBE will run the session online for an hour, during which time you will have the opportunity to listen to her advice and raise questions about online safety. Places are limited.

For further information on Get Safe Online please visit [www.getsafeonline.org](http://www.getsafeonline.org) We look forward to seeing you.

### Devon & Cornwall Community Survey Devon & Cornwall Police are carrying out a survey with local communities.

This is important and we would like to hear your views. Your opinions will influence the community engagement and delivery of services within your area. We want to better understand what's great and what's not so great about where people live so we can work with residents to help tackle any worries and issues that you may have.

Click here to access the survey (<https://orlo.uk/1pLqI>) or use the attached QR code.



## Police in Bodmin ask the public to be vigilant about cuckooing

**Police in Bodmin are asking the public to help them keep the area safe and assist in protecting vulnerable people.**

Officers in Cornwall are urging the community to act as extra eyes and ears on the streets to assist officers in tackling drug crime. Local people are vital to help police identify possible victims of cuckooing, so they can put safeguarding measures in place for victims and put offenders behind bars.

Cuckooing is a practice where criminals take over a person's home and exploit them. The term is used as cuckoos are birds who take over the nests of others.

Inspector Adam Stonehill explained: "Cuckooing can take many forms but the most common is where drug dealers or gang members take over a person's home and use it to store or distribute drugs. They target vulnerable people and usually begin by befriending them and using coercive tactics to manipulate their victims. They build rapport quickly so the victim feels they can trust the perpetrator.



"We know that cuckooing does happen in the Bodmin area and often the victims of these crimes are some of the most vulnerable people in our communities. We want to bring offenders to justice and one way to do this is to help make the public aware of the signs to look out for when it comes to cuckooing. Having the help of the vigilant public on the streets is a really effective way for us to tackle drug offences in our area. If you see something that doesn't look or feel right, you see a crime taking place, or you have some information which might help in our investigations, please come forward.

"Our officers are working closely with partner agencies including the local council, to identify and support victims of cuckooing, which is proving successful; however, we still need the support of our local communities to help us identify other possible victims of cuckooing which may not have come to light."

Drug dealers may offer the victim something to tempt them; this could be a relationship, friendship, drugs, alcohol, money or clothing. In exchange they may ask to 'borrow' a room, to store something or meet other people at the property. Gradually the benefits will reduce and may eventually come to an end, and more and more people will come and go from the address.

If the vulnerable victim tries to put a stop to the activity they may be threatened by the offender. The victim will become isolated as they are discouraged from contacting family, friends or support workers. Offenders often use threats to control their victim.

Criminals target the most vulnerable in society, including individuals who experience mental health difficulties or substance misuse, are socially isolated, or who have a learning disability.

Signs to look out for that may indicate someone is a victim of cuckooing include:

- An increase in people entering and leaving a property, especially at strange times
- Frequent visitors at unsociable hours
- Changes in a person's daily routine
- Suspicious, or unfamiliar vehicles outside an address
- You haven't seen the person who lives there recently, or when you have, they have been anxious or distracted

If you are concerned about drug-related crime in your area or you think someone may be a victim of drug exploitation, please call us on 101. If it's an emergency, please call 999.

Information can also be passed completely anonymously to independent charity Crimestoppers, just call 0800 555111, or via their [website](#).

If you're in danger but you can't talk on the phone, you should still call 999, then [follow these instructions](#) depending on whether you're calling from a mobile or a landline.

For more information about cuckooing and County Lines, which is the name given to drug dealing where OCGs use phone lines to move and supply drugs usually from cities into smaller towns, [visit our website](#).

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## Devon & Cornwall Police - Road Policing Team



**#StAustell** - careless riding with another bike leads to false details being given, no licence or insurance, bike is also on false plates - bike seized and rider assisting is with enquiries [#NoExcuse](#) [#Fatal5](#)

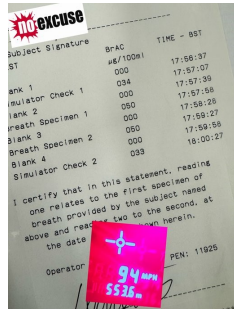


This Fiesta was stopped near **#Bodmin** driver found to be a provisional licence holder, not insured and tested positive

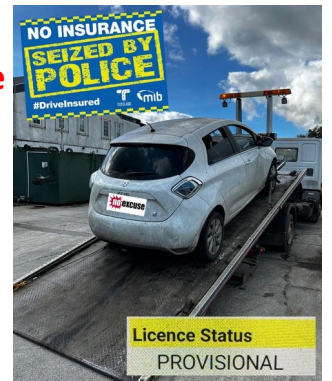


for cocaine on a roadside test - he has been arrested, the vehicle seized and prohibited from use on the roads until repaired [#NoExcuse](#) [#Fatal5](#) [@BodminPolice](#)

**A30 #Bodmin** - Mercedes stopped for excess speed - driver found to be unlicensed, uninsured and drink driving - in custody blowing 50 - the limit being 35 - charged to court for all offences [#NoExcuse](#) [#Fatal5](#)



**#Launceston** - Renault stopped and found to be uninsured and the driver held a provisional licence only and was not supervised - vehicle seized and driver reported to court [#NoExcuse](#)



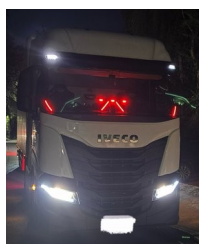
**#Redruth** - Audi stopped with a failed MOT - both rear tyres below legal limit, lighting defects and steering defects



identified - driver reported and vehicle prohibited from further use until repaired and retested [#NoExcuse](#)

**Yes it's a minor offence but one easily evidenced / enforced.**

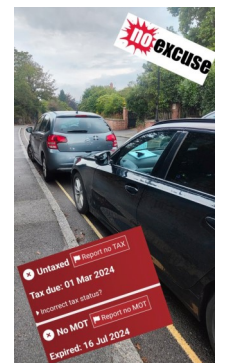
Using a vehicle on a road showing a red light to the front is an offence. If you have them fitted to your vehicle please remove. Ticket issued. 7163



Devon and Cornwall Police are urging us to report any examples of bad driving - after more than 6,000 incidents were reported last year [@DC Police](#) [@VisionZeroSW](#)



**#TRURO** - when you are using your personal vehicle for deliveries daily with no documents, your luck will run out eventually. Vehicle seized for no insurance and driver reported for all offences [#NoExcuse](#) [@DriveInsured](#)



Remember if you're coming to Cornwall that we have a lot of hills and you need a good handbrake . Second vehicle today that has had to be recovered due to manageable defects, resulting in collisions.



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## Getting in touch.

We're always here if you need us – but if it's not an emergency (i.e. a crime isn't happening right now and no-one is in immediate danger) then reporting online will save you time and means we have all the information we need to respond appropriately.

Scan the QR code below to take you to our website home page and choose one of the blue boxes to find the form that's right for you.

There are situations which look like they should be police matters, but which are actually dealt with by other agencies, such as noisy neighbours, dog fouling, fly tipping and more. To avoid delays, always visit our website first to see if this is an issue which is more appropriately dealt with by another agency.



**Non Emergency**  
dc.police.uk

If a crime has already happened or to give information about the crime



**WebChat**



To get updates visit  
dc.police.uk and click on  
the Webchat widget



**999 Emergency**

When life is threatened, people are injured,  
offenders are nearby or immediate action is required



**Contact details for Deaf or hard of hearing / speech impaired**

## Emergency



**999 BSL**

(video relay  
for BSL users)



**Text 999**

(You must register for this service at  
[www.emergencysms.org.uk](http://www.emergencysms.org.uk))



**18000  
Minicom/  
textphone**

## Non-Emergency



**Text 67101**

**SignLive**

**SignLive**  
(video relay for BSL users)  
for Non-Emergency



**18001 101**